CHAPTER 2.

(Senate Bill 2)

AN ACT making emergency appropriations from the general surplus for the support of the State government and other related purposes for the remainder of the fiscal year ending June 30, 1947.

Whereas, because of the general increase in the cost of goods and services, and the fact that existing salaries were deemed insufficient to keep and recruit adequate personnel for the carrying out of necessary State functions, the State Employees Standard Salary Board, pursuant to its statutory duty and function, recommended to the Governor a general increase in the salaries of State employees, and

Whereas, the Governor, with the concurrence of the Board of Public Works, approved the pay plan so recommended as of September 1, 1946, and it was then put into effect, and

Whereas, the same economic forces which required the said salary increases have required and will require during the current fiscal year the expenditure by various State departments, boards, commissions and officers of sums of money for necessary supplies and commodities far in excess of that estimated in and provided by the present budget, and

Whereas, the regular session of the General Assembly of Maryland, under the Constitution and laws of the State must pass the budget for the ensuing biennium before it can appropriate money to meet the deficiencies for the current fiscal year which will occur for the reasons stated, so that some State departments, boards, commissions and officers would be without funds for payroll and operating expenses before additional appropriations could be made effective by the regular session; therefore

Section 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the several amounts hereinafter named as "Deficiency Allowances", or so much thereof as shall be sufficient to accomplish the purposes designated, are hereby appropriated and authorized to be paid as emergency appropriations from the general surplus fund account of the State Treasury for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1947, to the respective departments, boards, commissions and officers of the State, and to the respective schools and institutions, and for the several purposes specified for the remainder of the current fiscal year ending June 30, 1947, as hereinafter indicated, and said amounts shall be paid and expended only in full accordance